

CHAPTER NO. 847

HOUSE BILL NO. 2274

By Representatives Harry Brooks, Baird, Gresham, Eldridge

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2431

By Senators Burchett, Burks, Williams

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11, Chapter 3 and Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 1, to enact "The State Park Funding Act of 2004".

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "The State Park Funding Act of 2004".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-3-302, is amended by adding a new subsection (i) as follows:

(i) Any revenues derived from the payment of fees charged at state parks and any fines, penalties, forfeitures, or contraband allocated to state parks pursuant to state law shall be deposited in the fund.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11, Chapter 3, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new Section 11-3-305:

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It is the legislative intent that the following types of revenue-generating facilities at state parks shall be self-sufficient by the fiscal year 2007-2008: marinas, campgrounds, golf courses, cabins, gift shops, restaurants and inns. Self-sufficient shall mean that the revenue generated at all such facilities collectively is sufficient to cover all of the direct operational costs incurred at those facilities. Nothing in this section shall be construed to automatically require the closing of any park or facility which is not individually self-sufficient.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11, Chapter 3, Part 3, is further amended by adding the following as a new Section 11-3-306:

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If revenues are generated by the facilities named in Section 11-3-305 exceed the needs for self-sufficiency, then they may be applied in priority order, first to other operations at the park where they are located, next to parks containing historic sites or museums or natural areas, and finally to other state parks.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 20, 2004


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 8th day of June 2004


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR